

LITTLE BUDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Little Budworth Parish Council meeting held on
Thursday 11th January 2024 at Little Budworth Jubilee Hall

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Meeting started 7.pm

Present	Cllr Peter Robinson (Chair) (PR), Cllr Cora Cowap (Vice Chair) (CC), Cllr Linda Jones (LJ) Cllr Chris Lee (CL), Cllr Jenny Marshall (JM), Cllr Dave Lee (DL), Cllr Caroline Hall, (CH), Cllr Gareth Todd (GT) In Attendance -Tracey Whitlow – Parish Clerk (TW)	
131	Apologies for Absence were received: Ward Cllr Charles Hardy (WC)	
132	Declarations of Members’ Interests: None received.	
133	Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 5 th December 2023 were approved & signed by the Chair, following an amendment.	
134	Ward Councillor Report: Ward Councillor updated the PC on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WC is encouraging all parish councils in the Tarporley ward to participate in the rural transport consultation. TW to contact other parish councils regarding their responses and circulate to council. 	TW
135	Public Participation: None present.	
136	Matters arising from Minutes of previous meeting unless covered elsewhere in the agenda: Members Budget: TW confirmed she had applied for a members budget grant to replace the bench at the junction of Vicarage Lane and Mill Lane, following the discussions at the last meeting with WC. This new bench will need a street furniture licence as the present one doesn’t have one. TW to complete paperwork. Defibrillator Training: PR to take this forward and organise dates, all councillors are interested in participating – this will be open to the parish.	TW PR
137	Accounts/Financial: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The cash book and forecast/outrun up to 31.12.23 accepted. 2. Bank statements/reconciliation at 31.12.23 accepted. 3. Note Income received/ratify payments made/authorise invoices received. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J W Landscapes – November Grass cutting £129.50 ratified • Eaton School PTA donation £100 ratified • Clerks overtime December approved • Clerks expenses Nov-Dec £77.20 approved • Clerks salary January approved • Bank interest received £66.84 	
138	Correspondence: D-Day celebrations – for inclusion on February agenda. MOP – Overgrown PROW – noted that TW had received an email regarding overgrown PROW- advised MOP to use the CWAC report it app – this is outside the remit of the clerk. TW to add the link of the app to the website.	TW TW

139	<p>Budget 2024-25</p> <p>The updated budget was discussed further. Resolved to set the budget for 2024-25 at £17095, with earmark reserves of £7k for the Village Green fencing works.</p>	TW
140	<p>Precept 2024-25.</p> <p>TW had circulated precept calculation, based on the budget less EM reserves. The council Resolved to set the 2024-25 precept at £11,000. This is necessary to cover the day-to day running costs of the parish council and activities carried out, over the past years the legal requirements of a Parish Council have increased, thus increasing the administrative costs involved. The precept gives a rise of £6.61 to £31.29 for a Band D property in the parish.</p> <p>TW to complete the necessary paperwork before 31.01.24</p>	TW
141	<p>Highways –</p> <p>Missing signs: CC to send the full list to TW for bringing to the attention of Highways. CC reported that Highways now only supply one road name sign at a junction, so if only one is missing or damaged it will not be repaired/replaced.</p> <p>Potholes: CC has reported potholes on Mill Lane again – to copy TW for information.</p>	CC
142	<p>Planning Applications</p> <p>No new planning applications received since the last meeting.</p> <p>Planning application updates:</p> <p>23/01694/FUL Well Cottage Farm, Beech Road – Football pitch & associated gateway. Refused.</p> <p>23/01652/FUL Well Cottage Farm, Beech Road – Tree house pergola gate pillars – Approved.</p> <p>23/01340/LDC Well Cottage Farm, Beech Road – Residential garden land – Refused.</p> <p>23/01789/FUL Holly Bank Bungalow – single storey extension – Approved.</p> <p>23/92175/PRD Ash House Farm – change of use of building – Approved.</p>	
143	<p>Working Groups/committees</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Litter Picks. No litter picks since November – next one to be organised soon. Planting Group. No report Parish Plan. Discussed – councillors to hold a separate meeting to plan the way forward for a review/updated plan. Oulton Park Liaison committee. No report Little Budworth Common. December meeting cancelled due to adverse weather. Little Budworth Charities. No report 	
144	<p>Asset Maintenance & Register</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Village Green <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Playground hedge – Grants – ongoing. Playground equipment – Has been visually inspected. TW to organise the RoSPA inspection for spring. Land used for car parking - Ongoing. Speed Indicator Display sign – CL confirmed he had downloaded data from the speed camera, this now need analysing and putting in a report format. 	
145	<p>Items for next meeting.</p> <p>D-Day Commemorations. Cheshire Day</p>	
146	<p>Date for next meeting – Tuesday 6th February 2024 7pm</p>	

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

Signed:

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